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1. SUMMARY: AMBASSADOR SAW FOREIGN MINISTER AND MADE PRESENTATION DIRECTED IN REFTEL. GUIRINGAUD UNDERSTOOD TO CONSULT PRESIDENT GISCARD PROMPTLY AND GIVE US FRENCH RESPONSE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. END SUMMARY.

2. AMBASSADOR CALLED ON FOREIGN MINISTER GUIRINGAUD IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTEL INSTRUCTION AND MADE PRESENTA-
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TION TO HIM. LATTER UNDERTOOK TO CONSULT PRESIDENT GISCARD PROMPTLY REGARDING OUR REQUEST AND WILL GIVE US RESPONSE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. GUIRINGAUD REMINDED AMBASSADOR THAT PRIME MINISTER BARRE AND HE WILL MAKE OFFICIAL VISIT TO SYRIA NOVEMBER 26 THROUGH 28 AND SAID THAT SUBJECT OF GENEVA IN ANY CASE IS CERTAIN TO BE DISCUSSED BILATERALLY THEN.

3. GUIRINGAUD THEN RAISED QUESTION REGARDING SUGGESTED GENEVA PROCEDURES WHICH HE SAID HIS MINISTRY WOULD ALSO RESEARCH. HE SAID HE RECALLED THAT THE 1973 GENEVA SESSION HAD SEEN THE EGYPTIANS ARRIVE AT DISENGAGEMENT WITH THE ISRAELIS AHEAD OF THE SYRIANS. THEREFORE, HE SAID, PROMISE OF FOLLOWING 1973 PROCEDURES WOULD HAVE LITTLE ATTRACTION TO SYRIA, WHICH WOULD EXPECT ISRAELIS TO BE MUCH TOUGHER ON GOLAN THAN ON SINAI QUESTIONS; TO BE ABLE TO REFRAIN FROM IMPLEMENTING ONE WORKING GROUP AGREEMENT PRIOR TO ACHIEVEMENT OF SATISFACTORY TOTAL PACKAGE WOULD NOT INSULATE SYRIA AGAINST BEING LEFT TO FACE ISRAELI INTRANSIGENCE ALONE. GUIRINGAUD INDICATED HE WOULD WELCOME ANY FURTHER US THOUGHTS ON THIS ASPECT OF PROCEDURES QUESTION. HARTMAN UNQTE CHRISTOPHER

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